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## Dear Sir:

Applicant, Regis Phillip Renaud, represents that he is the Owner of the entire right, title and interest in the above-captioned patent application by virtue of being the inventor of the subject matter contained therein.

This application is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 10/283,399, filed on October 29, 2002, which is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/838,442, filed on April 19, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,471,443.

Applicant also represents that he is the Owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to U.S. Patent No. 6,471,443 by virtue of being the inventor of the subject matter contained therein.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.321(c), Applicant hereby disclaims, except as noted below, the terminal portion of any patent granted on the above-captioned application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 U.S.C. §§ 154-156 and 173, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, of U.S. Patent No. 6,471,443, and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-captioned application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that legal title to said patent shall be the same as legal title to U.S. Patent No. 6,471,443. This agreement extends to any patent granted on the above-captioned application, and binds Applicant's successors and assigns.

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In making the above disclaimer, Applicant does not disclaim the terminal part of any patent granted on the instant application that would extend to the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in 35 U.S.C. §§ 154-156 and 173 of U.S. Patent No. 6,471,443, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, in the event that U.S. Patent No. 6,471,443 later expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable, is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321, has all its claims canceled by a reexamination certificate, is reissued, or is in any manner terminated prior to the expiration of its full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer.

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